# Stated Meeting, February 2.

Present, twenty-three members.

Mr. Du Ponceau, President, in the Chair.

The following donations were received:-

### FOR THE LIBRARY.

The Laws of Wages, Profits, and Rents investigated. By George Tucker, Professor of Political Economy in the University of Virginia. Philadelphia, 1837.—From the Author.

The Select Medical Library. Edited by John Bell, M. D. Nos. 13, 14, 15. Philadelphia, 1837-8.—From the Editor.

History of the Indian Tribes of North America, with Biographical Sketches, &c. By Thomas L. M'Kenney & James Hall, Esq. Nos. 1 to 9. Philadelphia, 1838.—From Messrs. E. C. Biddle and F. W. Greenough.

Life and Services of Commodore William Bainbridge, of the United States Navy. By Thomas Harris, M. D. Philadelphia, 1837.—

From the Author.

### FOR THE CABINET.

Theodolite which belonged to William Penn, and was used in laying out the City of Philadelphia.—From Mr. Philip Physick.

Press used in making impressions from the Great Seal of Pennsylvania under the Proprietary Government.—From the same.

A letter was read from John K. Townsend, dated January 20th, 1838, announcing the transmission of the Indian Vocabularies collected for the Society, and of certain shells and geological specimens, selected for its use by Mr. Peale.

A communication from the late Joshua Humphreys, Esq., dated December 23d, 1837, was read, on the subject of the early history of the naval construction of the United States, tending to correct an erroneous impression as to the opinions and wishes of President Washington on the subject of the navy, which had found place in Professor Tucker's Biography of Mr. Jefferson, and which had been the subject of remark by Dr. Harris in his Life of Bainbridge. This communication was referred to the Historical Committee.

The president communicated a letter to him from Mr. Ty-

son, of the House of Representatives of Pennsylvania, dated Jan. 29th, 1838, giving intelligence in relation to the ancient records of the State, and of the proposed publication of them at the public expense.

## Stated Meeting, February 16.

### Present, sixteen members.

Dr. PATTERSON, Vice President, in the Chair.

The following donations were received:-

#### FOR THE LIBRARY.

- Patologio Generale di Lorenzo Martini. 2 vols. Capolago, 1834.— From the Author.
- Polizia Medica di Lorenzo Martini. Capolago, 1834.—From the Author.
- Constitution of the United States, Rules of the Two Houses of Congress, and Jefferson's Manual. Printed by C. Sherman & Co. Philadelphia, 1837.—From Mr. C. Sherman.
- Familiar Letters on Public Characters and Public Events. By William Sullivan. Boston, 1834.—From the Author.
- The Political Class-book, intended for the Higher Classes in Schools. By William Sullivan. With an Appendix upon the Studies of Practical Men. By G. R. Emerson. Boston, 1837.—From the Author.
- Historical Causes and Effects, from the Fall of the Roman Empire in 476, to the Reformation in 1517. By William Sullivan. Boston, 1838.—From the Author.
- A View of the Land Laws of Pennsylvania, with Notices of its early History and Legislation. By Thomas Sergeant. Philadelphia, 1838.—From the Author.
- Transactions of the Royal Academy of Berlin for 1835. Berlin, 1837.—From the Academy.
- Bericht über die zur Bekanntmachung geeigneten Verhandlungen der Königl. Preuss. Akademie der Wissenschaften zu Berlin. Berlin, 1836-7.—From the same.
- Weekly Register. Edited by William O. Niles. Vol. LI. Baltimore, 1836-7.—From the Editor.